

## IN THE CLAIMS

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9. (currently amended) An optical glass ~~comprising~~ consisting essentially of, in mass %,

SiO<sub>2</sub> 40-70%

PbO 14-50%

Na<sub>2</sub>O and /or K<sub>2</sub>O[[in]] in the total amount of 8- 17%

where

Na<sub>2</sub>O [[0]] 5-14%

and

K<sub>2</sub>O 0-15%

B<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> 0- 5%

As<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> 0- 1%

Sb<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> 0- 1%

TiO<sub>2</sub> 0-0.2%

Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> 0- [[1]]0.4% and

BaO 0- 5%

fluoride or fluorides substituting for the above oxide or oxides partially entirely, a total amount of fluorine contained in the fluorides being 0-2%.

10. (previously amended) currently amended) An optical glass as defined in claim 9 comprising, in mass %,

Li <sub>2</sub> O	0- 2%
CaO	0- 2%
SrO	0- 2%

the total amount of one or more of the LiO<sub>2</sub>, CaO, SrO, BaO and Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> ingredients being 5% or below.

11. (currently amended) An optical glass as defined in claim 9 or 10 wherein an amount of change in refractive index ( $\Delta n$ : difference in refractive index between a state before radiation and a state after radiation) caused by radiation of laser beam at wavelength of 351nm having average output power of 0.43W, pulse repetition rate of 5kHz and pulse width of 400ns for one hour is 5 ppm or below.

12. (previously amended) An optical glass as defined in claim 9 or 10 comprising, a fluorine ingredient and/or a titanium oxide ingredient and/or an arsenic oxide ingredient.

13. (currently amended) An optical glass as defined in claim 9 or 10 comprising, in mass %, a total amount of 0.1-2% fluoride as the fluorides as the fluorine ingredient and/or  $[[0.001 \text{ o.}2]]$  0.001-0.2% of TiO<sub>2</sub> as the titanium oxide ingredient and/or 0.001 – 1% As<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> as the arsenic oxide ingredient.